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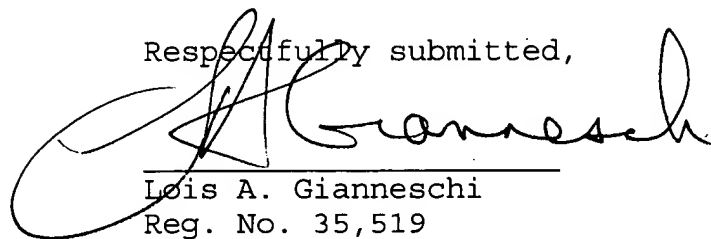
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
		6,217,171		Auten et al.	04/17/01	
		6,162,844		Lally et al.	12/19/00	
		5,849,692		Joncczyk et al.	12/16/98	
		5,779,943		Enns et al.	07/14/98	
		5,667,735		Bae et al.	09/16/97	
		4,569,962		Burguette et al.	02/11/86	
		5,010,155		Mueller	04/23/91	
		4,544,572		Sandvig et al.	10/01/85	
		4,440,918		Rice et al.	04/03/84	
		4,099,859		Merrill	07/11/78	
		3,968,305		Oshima et al.	07/06/76	
		3,916,033		Merrill	10/28/75	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		Office ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵				
		PCT	WO 0121375	A1	Diggins et al.	03/29/01		
		EPO	362137	A2	Mueller et al.	04/04/90		

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CLAIMS AS FILED

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FOR:	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	BASIC FEE \$710.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	141 - 20 =	121	x 18.00	\$2,178.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 - 3 =	0	x 80.00	\$ 0.00
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